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From: Jeryl Gardner
Sent: Wed 6/15/2016 12:23:53 AM
Subject: RE: NPR story

Hi Sarah,

I'm not sure; it's possible that the link, though dated 6/3, takes us back to March 29th.
I thought that kind of funny too.

Either way we plan for these types of communication messages more proactively and we're better off.

By the way, we all (Greg, Jeff and I) think you are a consummate professional, good listener, collaborative solution seeker, and easy to work with.
So, thank you for all you do!

Jeryl

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From: Cafasso, Sarah [mailto:Cafasso.Sarah@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2016 4:11 PM
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This link takes me to the March 29 NPR article- is there a different one from June 3?

Thanks!

Sarah

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Thanks for sharing, Jeryl. I absolutely agree; I think the CIP should contain basic FAQs about the site and state the facts in very simple, accessible terms. Another effective forum will be at the community meetings.

I'll look to schedule another CI workgroup meeting in the coming weeks and I'll get a doodle poll out for the next community meeting.

Thanks,

Sarah

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Hi Sarah,

We received a link from ARC on a NPR story that was run on June 3, a 14-minute interview with Dietrick McGinnis and Laurie Thom, regarding issues and questionable statements.
<http://knpr.org/knpr/2016-03/sandoval-agrees-list-yingington-mine-superfund-cleanup-conditions>

Here is a brief excerpt from that interview:

McGinnis says the tribe's groundwater contains uranium and arsenic that exceeds drinking water standards, so people have been on bottled water for 9 years.

He says some homes are built on tailings from the mine.

He says "everyone agrees [the plume extends] at least to the reservation." He adds that the plume estimates are conservative in favor of the responsible party. He says "the plume most likely is on the reservation, but we all agree it is moving, it is moving towards the reservation, and if it's not there now it will be in the next few years." He says "most important of all is how bad it can be over the next year because the plume is moving."

McGinnis says agricultural soils on the reservation will be tested for the first time in spring 2016.

He says a large storm will cause containment ponds to overflow and make the gw plume worse and could end up in the Wabuska Drain and the Walker River. He says with a 100 year storm out there, we could see releases.

Greg, Jeff and I have been talking about what we as CIP planners can do to address these types of concerns collectively, proactively and constructively.

Some of the suggestions we have so far:

The public involvement planning and CIP update should plan to make an effort to explain agency responses to these issues as well as onion concerns, etc.

Fact Sheets and possibly public meetings (??) may serve as a venue for addressing concerns like these also.

Thanks,
Jeryl

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